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In re Patent Application of:
Bernd Barchmann et al.

Application No.: 10/803,174

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Art Unit: 2841

For: NONCONDUCTING SUBSTRATE,
FORMING A STRIP OR A PANEL, ON
WHICH A MULTIPLICITY OF CARRIER
ELEMENTS ARE FORMED

Examiner: H. C. Nguyen

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows: